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Response to Complaint MUR # 6637

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Office of the General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463 OFFICE OF OLITERAL COUNSEL

Dear General Counsel,

On Saturday, October 29, I traveled back to Delaware for the weekend so I could attend my sister's wedding. To my surprise I received an official complaint from the Rose Izzo for Congress campaign regarding the website, www.wipeupthemess.com. In no way, shape, or form did I have anything to do with the creation of that website during or after my time on the Kovach for Congress campaign.

My last paid week on the Kovach campaign was August 12-18. I took a week off, then headed up to Clinton, NY for my second year at Hamilton College where I have been since. During my time at school, I was not in any contact with the campaign. I stumbled upon the "Wipe Up the Mess" website on August 28 when I read the blog post "Mystery Speaker at Republican Convention" (http://www.delawareliberal.net/2012/08/28/mystery-speaker-at-republican-convention/) on Delaware Liberal, which I normally read daily. A comment by a user named "Kevin Baltuskonis" included the link to Wipe Up the Mess. Seeing the wealth of information on that website, and remaining a true Kovach supporter, I personally wanted other voters to know about the character and background of Izzo:

On August 28, I made my first post on the "Delaware Tea Party" Facebook group of 450 members encouraging people to vote for Kovach and directing them to the website about Izzo. On September 4, a week before the primary, I made one final post again encouraging them to vote for Kovach and letting them know about Izzo. I have been a member of the "Delaware Tea Party" group for almost two years while Izzo has only been a member for about five months. These posts were my personal decision and personal opinion. The Kovach campaign did not know I was engaging in these posts and during my time on the campaign I did not have anything to do with the creation of this website that appeared two weeks after I left. I do not know who made www.wipeupthemess.com.

It is disappointing to see that Rose Izzo and her husband/campaign manager would take the time to officially file a complaint directly to a 19 year old sophomore college student on the basis of two Facebook posts. In the complaint no dates, or background information about the posts were presented. My payments were included, but the complaint also failed to point out that I stopped working on the campaign two weeks prior to my first post. Their lack of character put them on a wild gause chase for who created Wipe Up the Mess, which the owner has apparently taken down quite a while ago.

Respectfully,

Kevin Anglim